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Appl. No. : 10/696,799
Filed : October 30, 2003
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FOR CLOSING A BODY
LUMEN
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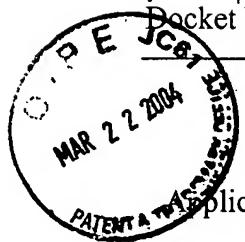
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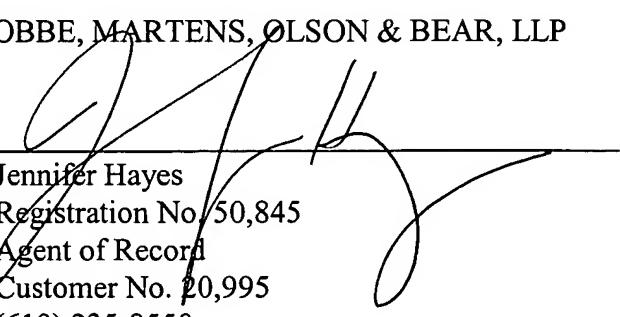
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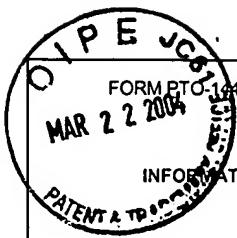
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